

#### HANFORD MISSION INTEGRATION SOLUTIONS

## NEWS RELEASE

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#### HMIS Commits \$96,000 to Student Scholarships, Local Educational Programs

RICHLAND, Wash. – Hanford Mission Integration Solutions (HMIS) is committed to investing in the development of the future Hanford workforce through support of robust educational and leadership development programs for youth in our community. As part of that promise, HMIS has committed more than \$96,000 to support student scholarships and educational programs this year.

Through the HMIS scholarship program, \$29,000 was awarded to dependents of HMIS employees and co-op interns. A partnership with Washington State University Tri-Cities resulted in \$2,500 scholarships for ten WSU Tri-Cities students pursuing degrees in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines for the 2022-23 academic year.

HMIS also partnered with Columbia Basin College (CBC) to support its Pathways to Hanford (P2H) program, which assists students exploring career choices at Hanford, while also gaining insights into company values, internship programs, and desired skills. HMIS donated more than \$22,000 to help CBC provide critical assistance to students in the P2H program to keep them on the path to educational success. "This partnership will continue building a pipeline of qualified Hanford workers for the future," shared Elie Hernandez, director of CBC's Pathways to Hanford program.

HMIS also proudly supported The STEM Foundation through a \$20,000 donation to bolster expansion of its STEM Like ME!<sup>SM</sup> educational programs in Tri-Cities area middle schools and high schools. This donation will support hands-on opportunities for students to learn more about STEM-focused careers, as well as the STEM Like ME!<sup>SM</sup> Grants for Teachers program, providing local teachers with mini-grants to encourage STEM-related programming in their classrooms.

Developing an educated and highly-trained workforce is essential to completing the Hanford mission, and HMIS is committed to making a lasting impact in our community.





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Dr. Rebekah Woods, Elie Hernandez and Erin Fishburn with Columbia Basin College happily accept a \$22,500 donation from HMIS to support student students exploring the Pathways to Hanford program.



HMIS donated a total of \$20,000 to The STEM Foundation in 2021. Executive director Deb Bowen and CEO of the executive committee Matt Hammer posed for a photo with HMIS representatives Bob Wilkinson, Julie Lindstrom, Daniel Seitz and Robin Wojtanik, as well as Robin's children who are enrolled in local STEM programs.

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### **About HMIS**

Hanford Mission Integration Solutions is a team of <u>Leidos</u> and <u>Centerra Group</u>, and <u>Parsons</u>. HMIS provides Hanford Site services including, security and emergency services, land management services, and information technology services; management of the Hazardous Material and Emergency Response (HAMMER) Federal Training Center; maintaining vital infrastructure; and performing infrastructure upgrades (e.g., electric, water, roads), as well as building future infrastructure to support operation of the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant.

